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TO MSGBN WASHDC PRIORITY
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AMEMBASSY SANA
AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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MSGBN FOR PERSO, SECSTATE FOR A/SY/FO, OTHERS FOR NCOIC MSG

E.O. 11652: ADS, DECLAS UPON RECEIPT

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SUBJECT: REQUEST MASTICO CPL RODOLFO G. LONGORIA [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 6 SEP 2013]

REF: (A) BEIRUT 6749 (281055Z MAY 75)
(B) SANA 1449 (110625Z JUN 75) NOTAL
(C) BEIRUT 7697 (180835Z JUN 75) NOTAL

1. SNM HAS REQUESTED MAST, BY LETTER WITH CO, CO "B" IN HIS LETTER
SNM HAS REQUESTED REASSIGNMENT FROM SANA, YEMEN.

2. THE FOLLOWING IS BACKGROUND INFO ON SNM AND HIS REQUEST
FOR REASSIGNMENT:

A. JOINED MSGDET NEW DELHI 18APR74. AT THAT TIME
NEW DELHI WAS A HARDSHIP POST FOR MSG'S.

B. TOWARDS THE END OF HIS TOUR IN NEW DELHI, SNM REQUESTED
A SIX MONTH EXTENSION ON POST. NCOIC AND RSO CONCURRED, CO,
CO "B" APPROVED.

C. REF (A) ASSIGNED SNM TO SANA ON A TAD BASIS.

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D. IN REF (B) SNM REQUESTED TO HAVE HIS TAD TERMINATED

IN SANA AND THAT HE RETURN TO NEW DELHI. SNM STATED THAT HIS MOTHER WAS SEVERLY ILL WHICH REQUIRED HIM TO BE IN CONSTANT CONTACT VIA PHONE AND THAT THERE WAS NOT AN ADEQUATE TEL SYSTEM IN SANA.

E. DUE TO CO AND XO, CO "B" ABSENCE FROM BEIRUT REF (C) WAS NOT SENT UNTIL 18JUN75. REF (C) STATED THAT ASSIGNMENT POLICIES OF MSG PROGRAM COULD NOT BE BASED ON SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL NEEDS OF EACH MSG, AND THAT IF A BONIFIELD HARDSHIP EXISTED SNM SHOULD SUBMIT AN AA FORM VIA THE CHAIN OF COMMAND REQUESTING RELIEF FROM THE MSG PROGRAM.

F. SNM RESTATED THE PROBLEMS HE HAS ENCOUNTERED BY BEING IN A TAD STATUS IN SANA, AND WENT ON TO STATE THAT HE HAS NOW SERVED A TOTAL OF 15 MONTHS AT HARDSHIP POSTS, AND MAY POSSIBLY SERVE AT LEAST 18.

2. BASED ON THE FACT THAT SNM HAS SERVED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS AT A COMBINATION OF HARDSHIP POSTS, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT HIS TAD STATUS IN SANA BE TERMINATED AND THAT HE BE REASSIGNED TO A NON-HARDSHIP OST IN CONJUNCTION WITH CL 1-76.

3. SNM HAS PERFORMED IN AN EXCELLENT MANNER THROUGHOUT HIS TOUR IN NEW DELHI.

4. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM SANA INDICATES THAT MSG'S ARE STANDING WATCH 17 HOURS A DAY FIVE DAYS A WEEK AND 24 HOURS A DAY TWO DAYS A WEEK FOR A TOTAL OF 133 HOURS AND WITH THE 1/9TH FACTOR 147.8 HOURS. WITH A COMPLIMENT OF SIX MARINES (ACTING NCOIC AND FIVE MARINE GUARDS) THE MARINE GUARDS ARE STANDING 29.6 HOURS OF WATCH A WEEK. BASED ON THESE FIGURES IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT IF CPL LONGORIA IS REASSIGNED, NO REPLACEMENT BE SENT TO SANA.

5. PLEASE ADVISE CO, CO "B" SENDS.
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